





## **Indiana Supportive Housing Institute**

The Indiana Supportive Housing Institute ("the Institute") is an annual training opportunity for supportive housing partners to learn how to navigate the complexities of developing housing with supportive services for the goal of preventing and ending homelessness. Participation in the Institute is expected to reduce the length of time needed to obtain funding for supportive housing by improving the planning and development process.

IHCDA, in partnership with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), selects teams consisting of developers, property managers, and supportive service providers through a competitive RFP process for participation in the Institute. Teams receive over 80 hours of training which includes individualized technical assistance and resources to assist in developing their project concept.

Since its launch in 2008, the Institute has resulted in 47 projects comprising 1,156 units of supportive housing. An additional 13 projects with 400+ units are currently in development. An estimated 250 individuals leave homelessness each year due to the Institute, and over 90% of tenants in Institute units remain stably housed. This pipeline has contributed to a significant (45%) reduction in chronic homelessness in Indiana since 2009.

Upon completion, participants in the Institute will have:

- A detailed, individualized supportive housing plan that includes supportive service and delivery strategies that can be used to apply for funding from multiple sources;
- The opportunity to apply for early pre-development financing through CSH Pre-development Initiation Loans to use on supportive housing projects planned through the Institute;
- Improved skills to operate existing supportive housing and develop new projects serving people who experience multiple barriers to housing;
- A strong, effective development, property management and service team that leverages the strengths of each team member and has clearly defined roles and responsibilities;
- A powerful network of peers and experts to assist in project development and to trouble-shoot problems;
- Post-Institute technical assistance from CSH to be defined through a shared Memorandum of Understanding (MOU); and
- Access to capital funding from IHCDA.